THE PARLIAMENTS DESIRES

TO THE EARL OF

WARWICKE:

Wherein is Declared their Resolutions concerning his going in Person to *Hull*, with 4. or 5. ships.

Together with the Earl of Warwicks Answer to the Parliament Commands.

Also a Letter from the Earl of *Warwick* to the High Court of *Parliament*, read in the House of Commons upon *Monday*, concerning his taking of two ships upon the Sea, there being in one 42. Pieces of Ordinance, and great store of Ammunition for Warre.

With the *Parliaments* Determination concerning all those that shall take up Arms.

Ordered that this be printed and published.

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Earle of Warwicks *Resolution concerning Sir* John Hotham.

MAny and sundry times hath flying Reports arrived in this Kingdome, and hath so farre dived into the hearts of the Subjects of this Nation, that they have bin much perplexed in mind, fearing a forreign invasion.

But praised be God he hath prevented these Designs, and hath of his gracious affection which he bears to this Iland, bestowed his blessings in abundance upon us, prospering us with such gracious gifts, that no Nations under the Sun ever enjoyed the like.

And hath also out of his Divine Provi-

[illegible] plotted and intended against this Kingdom.

[illegible] hath also discovered many more Hellish Conspiracies, plotted by great persons that were in eminent places, who when he see a fit and convenient time, disclosed their wicked intentions, and revealed it to the hearts of this our Honourable Assembly, who out of their vigilant & judicious Care dismissed them of their places, and hath chosen many worthy Patriots, and Religious men for the enjoying thereof.

But because I will not deviate too farre from my intended purpose, I will now proceed to my following Relation.

Both Houses having taken in consideration the Affairs of Hull, sent a Message to the Earl of Warwick, concerning the same.

And they also received Letters from the said Earl, which declared to the Audience of both houses, informing them, how that he had taken one of the Kings Ships called the [illegible] which lay riding [illegible]

Holland with great store of Ammunition, and as he thought, and conjectured, bound for the *North*.

In which ship were Prince *Robert*, and his Brother Prince *Maurice* shipped to come for *England*, but being taken sick at Sea, and troubled with an extreame vomiting of Blood, they returned back, and landed again in another part of *Holland*.

But the Captain of the ship having intelligence that the Earl of *Warwick* had delivered up the Navie to the King, and that it was now under the Command of Sir *John Pennington*, came very courageously amongst the ships, and very boldly came aboord the Admirall, where he finding the Earl of *Warwicke*, and understanding how he had still the Charge of the Navie, which he *would not believe untill he had seen his Commission*, was much amazed, and at the first refused to submit himself, but the Earle of *Warwick* shewing Prince *Robert* and possessing himself of his Person and Ammunition, whereof there were great store, and a great quantity of Treasure, and

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Hee also informed by the said Letters,
that hee had taken another Ship loaden
with Powder, and in it many other things
belonging to warre, which was also bound
for the North.

And upon Tuesday both Houses Ordered, that there should a Message forth with
before with all speed to the Earl of
wicke, for staying him there till the plea-
sure of both Houses, which was, that hee
should take six or eight Ships, and go him-
self down to Hull, and lye there to
relieve Sir John Hotham.

And also Ordered, That he should bring
from Hull all such great Peeces as are
there, with other Furniture for Horse or
Horsemen, and the four Prisoners that Sir
John Hotham took in a Ship going for
Holland.

The Earl of Warwick having received
this Command from both Houses, pre-
sently Commanded all his Captains, and
Officers of his Ships, and after some
Debates thereof, he resolved to yield in all
points to the said Message, whereupon they
he had
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full of their last Commands concerning his going to *Hull*, but found that he could not conveniently go himself, partly because his ship was of so great Burthen, she could not safely ride in that shallow Water to continue but he had sent two of his ships, and would take order to send others after them, who should carefully observe their Commands in all points, and fulfill it accordingly.

And likewise certified them, that he had sent three other ships to *HULL* to relieve Sir *John Hotham*, and desired them, that they would bee pleased to send him moneyes with all speed, for to pay certain Captains discharged by him, by reason that they refuse to obey his Command.

Whereupon both Houses Ordered, That there should be fifteen hundred pounds forthwith sent.

Where it was also Voted, and joyntly concluded of, that the said Earl should have Thanks returned unto him for that good service, which was according concluded of and a Messenger fortwith dispatched.

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